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Mr. Gary S. Glenn
Interim Executive Director

TO: Members of the Committee on Finance & Facilities
FROM: Mr. Gary S. Glenn, Director of Fiscal Affairs
SUBJECT: Committee Meeting, November 5, 2015
DATE: October 29, 2015

A meeting of the Committee is scheduled to **be held in the SCSU Boardroom located in Lowman Hall (Room 304) at South Carolina State University, 300 College Street, NE, Orangeburg, SC at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 5.** Please note the change in location. The agenda and materials for the meeting are enclosed.

If you have any questions about the materials, please contact me at (803) 737-2155. We look forward to meeting with you on November 5.

Enclosures

AGENDA

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & FACILITIES

NOVEMBER 5, 2015

9:30 A.M.

SCSU BOARDROOM, LOWMAN HALL (ROOM 304)

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY

300 COLLEGE STREET, NE

ORANGEBURG, SC 29117

1. Introductions
2. Election of Chair and Vice Chair - Mr. Hood Temple
3. Minutes of September 29th and October 7th Meetings via Conference
4. Interim Capital Project
 - A. Horry Georgetown Technical College
 1. Acquisition of SC D. E. W. Land
-increase budget
5. Other Business (*For Information, No Action Required*)
 - A. Maintenance Needs Calculation
 - B. List of Capital Projects & Leases Processed by Staff for October, 2015

MINUTES
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND FACILITIES
SEPTEMBER 29, 2015
10:30 A.M.
MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM VIA CONFERENCE CALL
SC COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION
1122 LADY STREET, SUITE 300
COLUMBIA, SC 29201

Committee Members Present via phone

Chairman Hood Temple
Commissioner Paul Baton
Commissioner Dianne Kuhl
Commissioner Louis Lynn
Commissioner Clark Parker
Commissioner Kim Phillips

Staff Present

Mr. Gary Glenn
Ms. Yolanda Myers
Ms. Julie Carullo
Ms. Camille Brown
Dr. John Lane
Dr. Karen Woodfaulk

Guests Present via phone

Ms. Stacie Bowie
Mr. Matt Hogue
Ms. Anna Lucas
Mr. Rein Mungo
Ms. Carol Routh

For the record, notification of the meeting was made to the public as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

I. Call to Order

Commissioner Temple called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m. Guests joining the meeting via telephone were introduced.

The following matters were considered:

II. Approval of Minutes of Meeting on September 3, 2015

A motion was made (Parker), seconded (Lynn), and carried to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2015 meeting.

III. Interim Capital Projects

The following projects were presented and discussed:

A.) Coastal Carolina University

i. Brooks Stadium Additions

Ms. Stacie Bowie, CFO at Coastal Carolina University, provided information related to their request to proceed with Phase I (Pre-design) for additions to Brooks Stadium. She explained that the University needs to increase the current 10,000 seat capacity to at least 15,000-20,000 with an anticipated overall project budget of about \$19M. Ms. Bowie stated that additional costs are anticipated to address issues related to the way that the football stadium is situated on the campus, existing roads running behind it which could result in right-of-way issues, and the positioning of the scoreboard with a very limited footprint to double seats in the stadium. She shared that the challenge for the architect is how they can

help the University get to their goal. Ms. Bowie stated that the reason for the increase in the capacity is because they have accepted an invitation from the Sun Belt Conference and will need to get seating capacity up to SBC requirements. Ms. Bowie stated the University hopes to add a suite level, add additional restrooms, and a lot of infrastructure modifications in order to support the stadium. Commissioner Parker asked if there would any interruption in the next fall football season. Ms. Bowie stated that there will be no interruption.

Commissioner Lynn asked if there were any naming opportunities or private giving. Ms. Bowie responded that if private donations become available, they will be happy to accept. But currently, the University is preparing to fund the entire amount and wants to stay away from assuming or anticipating private giving and having to wait for the money to come in. She stated that if they receive money from private giving, it will be used to lower the amount the University pays.

Commissioner Parker asked how the University came up with an estimate of \$19M. Ms. Bowie stated that it was based on internal estimates based on other CCU projects that were completed.

Commissioner Parker asked about the seating capacity rule. Mr. Matt Hogue, from Coastal Carolina University, stated that NCAA rules require that they average 15,000 fans per game over a two-year period. He shared that they will have to submit attendance information to the NCAA each year when they become a full-fledged FBS school. Mr. Hoff shared that next year they will be an FBS independent as they begin putting their plan together. In 2017, the University will play in the Sunbelt Conference for the first time and will be considered an FBS provisional school. At that point, they could play for the Conference Championship but will not be eligible for a bowl game. In 2018, the University will become a full-fledged FBS school.

Commissioner Batson asked for clarification on the number of seats. Ms. Bowie shared that it could be up to 20,000 or 21,000 depending on the plan developed by the architect.

Commissioner Kuhl asked how long the University anticipates that this upgrade will meet their need and if they will have to do more renovations in the future. Ms. Bowie stated that the increase will meet the needs for a long time.

With no further questions, it was moved (Kuhl), seconded (Batson), and voted to approve Phase I of the Coastal Carolina University project with the caveat that the University would bring Phase II back to the committee for separate consideration.

i. Soccer Complex

Ms. Bowie stated that the University is requesting approval to begin Phase I to construct a soccer complex. She shared that the complex will create space for fans, media and players. Ms. Bowie stated that the current facility seats about 500 and the University would like to move to a facility that seats about 1,000. She stated that the new complex will improve facilities used by the men's and women's varsity soccer team, which currently lack support facilities due to property constraints. Ms. Bowie further stated that the new complex will be located on the East Campus, adjacent to the newly constructed Tennis Complex, and will consist of men's and women's locker rooms, meeting rooms, public restrooms, and concessions. She affirmed that the project does have some private funding support. Ms. Bowie stated that the soccer complex will need to be in place as the University anticipates being a host site for a conference championship.

A motion was made (Parker), seconded (Kuhl) to approve Phase I and Phase II of the Coastal Carolina University project.

IV. Consideration of CHE's FY 2016-17 Budget Request

A motion was made (Parker), seconded (Kuhl) to table Agenda Item 4, Consideration of CHE's FY 2016-17 Budget Request with the understanding that a special session will be convened to discuss the budget.

V. Other Business

Mr. Gary Glenn shared information regarding the Quarterly Budget Report. He stated that since he prepared the current document, the Commission had received some additional funding related to excess lottery earnings and the transfer of funds in support of the new Veterans Tuition Differential and will be updating the current budget information at the end of September.

The Capital Projects approved by the staff was presented for information. The meeting was adjourned at 11:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Yolanda L. Myers

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MINUTES
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND FACILITIES
OCTOBER 7, 2015
3:00 P.M.
BY TELECONFERENCE
WITH AVAILABILITY IN THE MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM
SC COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION
1122 LADY STREET, SUITE 300
COLUMBIA, SC 29201

Committee Members Present

Chairman Hood Temple via phone
Commissioner Paul Batson via phone
Commissioner Dianne Kuhl via phone
Commissioner Clark Parker

Staff Present

Ms. Julie Carullo
Ms. Yolanda Myers
Dr. John Lane
Dr. Paula Gregg

Committee Members Absent

Commissioner Louis Lynn
Commissioner Kim Phillips

Guests Present via phone

Commissioner Terrye Seckinger
Mr. Robbie Brown
Ms. Donna Hanson
Mr. Marc Tarplee

For the record, notification of the meeting was made to the public as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

I. Call to Order

Commissioner Temple called the meeting to order at 3.01 p.m. and requested a brief prayer for Mr. Gary Glenn. Guests in attendance were then introduced.

The following matters were considered:

II. Consideration of CHE FY 2016-17 Budget Requests

Ms. Julie Carullo introduced the proposed budget for FY 2016-17 stating that it included a series of requests for additional state funding in support of the Commission's core mission. She shared that there were also requests for funding technology needs to improve our database system, conference room technology, and telephone system.

Ms. Carullo stated that the proposed funding also included increases in our financial aid and contract programs. She gave a brief summary of increases requested for the College Transition Program, PASCAL, and a new item in the budget associated with support for the Veteran Tuition Differential Reimbursement Program. She emphasized that the proposed budget included a request of \$1 as a placeholder as the fiscal impact of this program had not yet been determined. She concluded her introduction to the proposed budget with comments related to a request to restore funds for the Professor of the Year and information on the maintenance needs request.

Commissioner Batson asked if the institution requests their own maintenance money and if this request would be an addition to what the institutions request. Ms. Carullo stated that the Commission had requested \$40M for maintenance needs on behalf of the institutions to encourage the General Assembly to fund the projects. She acknowledged that the General Assembly has been supporting either funding directly to the institutions and/or funding a small amount from one-time sources such as the Lottery or Capital Reserve that can be used for maintenance needs. She shared that the way the budget request is currently written, it would be a request for funding relative to CHE's maintenance needs formula.

Commissioner Batson asked if the institutions would be requesting their own maintenance funds. Julie stated that institutions could request funding specifically for their projects and that last year the General Assembly did fund projects based on individual institutional requests.

Commissioner Kuhl asked for clarity in regards to putting the maintenance request for the colleges in our budget as opposed to the institutions putting it in their budgets. Commissioner Parker stated that it is identifying that there is a need. Julie shared that in the past, the General Assembly had provided funding from the Lottery and had included a proviso directing that the funds be spread based on institutional appropriations and not on CHE calculations. She also affirmed that the Commission has routinely supported the need for capital funds for the public institutions. Commissioner Kuhl stated that she is in support of maintenance needs for institutions but was not sure if this is the way to do it at this time.

After further discussion, the committee decided to recommend a statement of support for maintenance and facilities funding rather than requesting a specific amount and allocation methodology in order to support the need. Chairman Temple asked that a statement be added that we recognized the importance of supporting maintenance and facility needs but thinks that it is more valuable to let the institutions make their own request.

Commissioner Batson recommended that we let our institutions know that the Commission has taken this approach and that a motion be made as an observation that the committee decided not to request \$19M for maintenance needs with the hope that the \$19M will be allocated individually per the institution's request.

The committee supported the requested funding for the Professor of the Year program and acknowledged that a request for funding for the program is required by law. However, the committee thinks that there may be private funding opportunities to fund this program and should be explored in the event the legislature does not fund it.

Commissioner Parker requested that a motion be made to add to the budget \$55,000 to increase the ability for out-reach as discussed previously by the Commission to be included in the agency operating support for core mission functions budget of the Commission.

A motion was made (Kuhl), and seconded (Batson) to amend the exact number and defer to the individual institutions for their own needs and the Commission would fully support funding for maintenance needs.

A motion was made (Parker), seconded (Kuhl) to amend the proposed budget to increase funding by \$55,000 to support activities associated with on-site meetings by the Commission (\$25,000), meetings related to future higher education meetings including meetings of the presidents' council (\$15,000) and trustees (\$10,000), and a forum on distance learning (\$5,000) and be placed in the agency's core mission budget.

With there being no further motions to amend, a motion was made (Batson), seconded (Kuhl) to approve the amended FY 2016-17 budget by acclamation.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Yolanda L. Myers

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DESCRIPTION OF INTERIM CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR CONSIDERATION

November 5, 2015

HORRY GEORGETOWN TECHNICAL COLLEGE

PROJECT NAME: Acquisition of SC D. E. W. Land
REQUESTED ACTION: Increase Budget
REQUESTED ACTION AMOUNT: \$320,000
INITIAL CHE APPROVAL DATE: N/A

<u>Source of Funds</u>	<u>Phase I (Pre-Design)</u>	<u>Phase II (Land/ Building Purchase)</u>	<u>Total Proposed Budget</u>
College Funds	\$20,000	\$320,000	\$340,000
<i>Total</i>	<i>\$320,000</i>	<i>\$320,000</i>	<i>\$340,000</i>

DESCRIPTION:

The College requests approval to acquire approximately 2.2 acres of vacant land from the South Carolina Department of Employment and Workforce that borders the College's Conway Campus. The land will be used to expand the existing maintenance area for storing college vehicles and equipment (tractors, mowers, etc.). The land will also be used to create at least 150 additional parking spaces for students.

E&G MAINTENANCE NEEDS:

N/A

ANNUAL OPERATING COSTS/SAVINGS:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this project as proposed.

